P R O C L A M A T I O N

WHEREAS, the United States Navy has made an outstanding record in the recent wars by clearing the seas of enemy craft and protecting lines of communication and supply all over the world; and

WHEREAS, this record is of particular interest to South Dakota because of the many citizens of our state who have served in the United States Navy during the war and many of whom have made the supreme sacrifice in behalf of their country and also because of the great record made by the Battleship USS South Dakota and other navy ships named after counties and towns of this state; and

WHEREAS, national memorial ceremonies are to be conducted throughout the nation on Sunday, October 21, which has been designated as Navy Day Sunday to show our respect and appreciation for those who have made the supreme sacrifice; and

WHEREAS, Saturday, October 27, 1945, has been nationally designated as Navy Day throughout the United States;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, M Q SHARPE, Governor of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim Sunday, October 21, 1945, as Navy Day Sunday in South Dakota and do urge our churches to give special services in memory of our departed citizens who have made the supreme sacrifice during the war through their service in the United States Navy and I likewise urge our citizens to attend such services as an expression of honor and respect; and further,

That Saturday, October 27, 1945 is hereby proclaimed

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and I suggest that the flag of our country be flown that day from all public buildings and places where our flag is customarily displayed on other important occasions and holidays and I likewise suggest that all our citizens show their appreciation of the great accomplishments of our Navy by cooperation with its officers and the patriotic organizations who are supporting it with the slogan that "A Strong Navy Guarantees Peace."

IN WITNESS WHEREOF I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the state of South Dakota to be affixed this 13th day of October, 1945.

M Q SHARPE
Governor

ATTEST:

MRS L M LARSEN
Secretary of State

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